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### Transmittal of Application Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Application of: Böhm, Ramic, Ulmer, Hergenrother, Rademacher, and Lawson  
For METHOD OF IMPROVING CARBON BLACK DISPERSION IN RUBBER  
COMPOSITIONS

Enclosed is a new patent application. It includes 0 sheet(s) of drawings.

1. ☐ This application claims priority
  - ☐ under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) from one or more foreign filed patent application(s):  
\_\_\_\_\_, filed in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, a certified copy of which ☐ is enclosed ☐ will follow.
  - ☐ under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) from the following provisional patent application(s):  
\_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
2. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting, just after the title: "This application claims the benefit of provisional application no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_."
3. ☒ Enclosed is an assignment of this application to Bridgestone Corp., and a completed Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
4. ☒ Enclosed is the oath/declaration executed by each named inventor.
5. ☒ Enclosed is a written request pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) regarding petitions for extensions of time.
6. ☒ Enclosed is Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet.

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- ☒ Kindly address all correspondence relating to this application to the following address:

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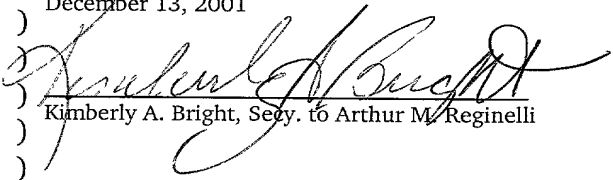
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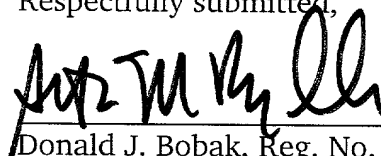
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Specification, Claims, and Abstract (22 pages w/cover sheet)  
Transmittal of Application (in duplicate)  
Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet  
Declaration and Power  
Assignment of Application  
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